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Abstract of the Disclosure Amendments

Please substitute for the Abstract of the Disclosure of record the following:

"PIPE HAVING AT LEAST A PORTION WITH A VARIABLE FLEXIBILITY" ABSTRACT

Tube, in particular for the use in medical devices in the form of catheters for endoluminal operations, wherein in at least one portion of its wall there are obtained notches (either slits or grooves) such as to locally increase the flexibility of the tube. The notches are provided in at least one distal zone of said tube.

[Figure 13]